# FEB 10 2005 CA PEB 10

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

if ke Application of

Applicant

: R. C. Beasley, et al.

Serial No.

09/657,215

Filed

7 Sep 2000

Examiner

Marc D. Thompson

Group

2144

Entitled

System and Method for Clustering Servers for

Performance and Load Balancing

Docket No.

END920000104US1

Commissioner For Patents

P. O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

# CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that the following attached correspondence comprising:

Acknowledgment Postcard Certificate of Mailing Amendment/Response Transmittal Amendment

is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

on 8 Feb 2005.

JUDITH A. BECKSTRAND (Name of person mailing paper or fee)

(Signature of person mailing paper or fee)

udich line Beckettant

# nt/Response Transmittal

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IBM Docket No. END920000104US1

		4		_
T T	) ~ A ==	mline		~ +
шг	Re An	DHC	шоп	UI

Applicant :

R. C. Beasley, et al

Serial No. : Filed Entitled:

09/657,215

Group:

2144

7 Sep 2000

Examiner: System and Method for Clustering Servers for Performance and Load Balancing

Marc D. Thompson

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Transmitted herewith for filing is an Amendment/Response in the above-identified Application.

- No additional fee is required.
- The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(Col. 1)	(Col.2)	(	(Col.3)	Other Than Small E
CLAIMS REI AFTER AME	NDMENT P	HIGHEST NO. REVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE
TOTAL *  INDEPENDE  FIRST PI		IINUS** INUS*** OF MULTIPLE	= _ = DEPENDENT	X \$18.00 = X \$84.00 =
	<del></del>			· •

Entity

RATE			ADDITIONAL		
					FEE
х	\$18.00	=	5	3	
х	\$84.00	=	5	5	

\$

### TOTAL

- If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.
- If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20".
- If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3". The "Highest No. Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.
- . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Please charge IBM Corp. Deposit Account No. <u>09-0457</u> in the amount of \$ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to IBM Corp. Deposit Account No. 09-0457. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
  - Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

□ CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION I hereby certify that this paper is being facsimile transmitted to the Commissioner for Patents on the date shown below

■ CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(A) I hereby certify that the enclosed or attached correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop AF, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on 8 Feb 2005 Name of person mailing paper: Judith A. Beckstrand

will Beckstrand date 8 Feb 2005 Signature

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. Beasley, et al. For:

By: Attorney: Shelley M Beckstrand

Registration No.: 24,886

Telephone: 276 238-1972

Address: 61 Glenmont Road Woodlawn, VA 24381

7 Feb 2005 Date:



# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of

Applicant

: R. C. Beasley, et al.

Serial No.

09/657,215

Filed

7 Sep 2000

Examiner

Marc D. Thompson

Group

: 2144

Entitled

System and Method for Clustering Servers

1500 2144

for Performance and Load Balancing

Docket No.

END920000104US1

## **AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office action of Examiner Marc D.

Thompson, mailed 9 Nov 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: